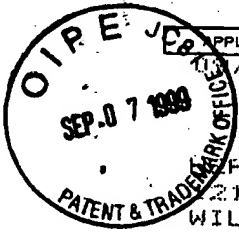




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NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

- ☒ This communication is responsive to Paper Nos. 6-7
- ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-2, 5-7 with claims 3-4 canceled
- ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.
- ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
- ☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
- ☐ received.
- ☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____
- ☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*Certified copies not received: _____

- ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" of this Office action. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- ☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
- ☒ Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS
- ☐ because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
- ☒ including changes required by the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 5
- ☐ including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on _____, which has been approved by the examiner.
- ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftperson.

- ☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s): _____
- ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
- ☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413
- ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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FORM PTO 948 (REV. 11-97)

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Application No. 020 063

NOTICE OF DRAFTPERSON'S PATENT DRAWING REVIEW

_____ing filed (insert date) _____ are:

- A. ☐ not objected to by the Draftperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152.
- B. ☒ objected to by the Draftperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152 as indicated below. The Examiner will require submission of new, corrected drawings wile necessary. Corrected drawings must be submitted according to the instructions on the back of this notice.

1. DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(a): Acceptable categories of drawings:

Black ink. Color.

_____ Color drawing are not acceptable until petition is granted.

Fig.(s) _____

_____ Pencil and non black ink is not permitted. Fig(s) _____

2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 37 CFR 1.84(b)

_____ Photographs are not acceptable until petition is granted,

_____ 3 full-tone sets are required. Fig(s) _____

_____ Photographs not properly mounted (must brystol board or photographic double-weight paper). Fig(s) _____

_____ Poor quality (half-tone). Fig(s) _____

3. TYPE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(e)

_____ Paper not flexible, strong, white and durable.

Fig.(s) _____

_____ Erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, copy machine marks not acceptable. (too thin)

_____ Mylio, vellum paper is not acceptable (too thin).

Fig(s) _____

4. SIZE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(f): Acceptable sizes:

_____ 21.0 cm by 29.7 cm (DIN size A4)

_____ 21.6 cm by 27.9 cm (9 1/2 x 11 inches)

_____ All drawings sheets not the same size.

Sheet(s) _____

5. MARGINS. 37 CFR 1.84(g): Acceptable margins:

Top 2.5 cm Left 2.5 cm Right 1.5 cm Bottom 1.0 cm
SIZE: A4 Size

Top 2.5 cm Left 2.5 cm Right 1.5 cm Bottom 1.0 cm
SIZE: 8 1/2 x 11

_____ Margins not acceptable. Fig(s) _____

Top (T) _____ Left (L) _____

Right (R) _____ Bottom (B) _____

6. VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h)

REMINDER: Specification may require revision to correspond to drawing changes.

_____ Views connected by projection lines or lead lines.

Fig.(s) _____

Partial views. 37 CFR 1.84(h)(2).

_____ Brackets needed to show figure as one entity.

Fig.(s) _____

_____ Views not labeled separately or properly.

Fig.(s) _____

_____ Enlarged view not labeled separately or properly.

Fig.(s) _____

7. SECTIONAL VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h)(3)

_____ Hatching not indicated for sectional portions of an object.

Fig.(s) _____

_____ Sectional designation should be noted with Arabic or

Roman numbers. Fig.(s) _____

8. ARRANGEMENT OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(i)

_____ Words do not appear on a horizontal, left-to-right fashion when page is either upright or turned, so that the top becomes the right side, except for graphs. Fig.(s) _____

_____ Views not on the same plane on drawing sheet. Fig.(s) _____

9. SCALE. 37 CFR 1.84(k)

_____ Scale not large enough to show mechanism without crowding when drawing is reduced in size to two-thirds in reproduction.

Fig.(s) _____

10. CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(l)

_____ Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and well defined, clean, durable and black (poor line quality).

Fig.(s) _____

11. SHADING. 37 CFR 1.84(m)

_____ Solid black areas pale. Fig.(s) _____

_____ Solid black shading not permitted. Fig.(s) _____

_____ Shade lines, pale, rough and blurred. Fig.(s) _____

12. NUMBERS, LETTERS, & REFERENCE CHARACTERS. 37 CFR 1.48(p)

_____ Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible.

Fig.(s) _____

_____ Figure legends are poor. Fig.(s) _____

_____ Numbers and reference characters not oriented in the same direction as the view. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(3) Fig.(s) _____

_____ English alphabet not used. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(3) Fig.(s) _____

_____ Numbers, letters and reference characters must be at least .32 cm (1/8 inch) in height. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(3) Fig.(s) _____

13. LEAD LINES. 37 CFR 1.84(q)

_____ Lead lines cross each other. Fig.(s) _____

_____ Lead lines missing. Fig.(s) _____

14. NUMBERING OF SHEETS OF DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.48(t)

_____ Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals beginning with number 1. Fig.(s) _____

15. NUMBERING OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(u)

_____ Views not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Fig.(s) _____

16. CORRECTIONS. 37 CFR 1.84(w)

_____ Corrections not made from PTO-948 dated _____

17. DESIGN DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.152

_____ Surface shading shown not appropriate. Fig.(s) _____

_____ Solid black shading not used for color contrast.

Fig.(s) _____

COMMENTS

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